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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

Asst. Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Supplemental to the response of January 28, 2002, please amend  
this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 26 (amended) A single stranded oligonucleotide of comprising 9 to 42 nucleotides of the sequence  $Y_1-Y_2-Y_3-Y_4-Y_5$  wherein  $Y_1$  is a nucleotide sequence of 1 to 12 nucleotides or is suppressed,  $Y_2$  is a trinucleotide which encodes for Gly,  $Y_3$  is a nucleotide coding for Arg or Lys,  $Y_4$  is a nucleotide coding for Arg or Lys and  $Y_5$  is a nucleotide sequence,  $Y_6-Y_7-Y_8-Y_9$  wherein  $Y_6$  is a trinucleotide which codes for Ser, Thr or Tyr,  $Y_7$  is a trinucleotide which codes for any amino acid,  $Y_8$  is a trinucleotide which codes for Glu or Asp and  $Y_9$  is a nucleotide sequence of 1 to 12 nucleotides or is absent.

Claim 27 (amended) An oligonucleotide of claim 26 wherein  $Y_1$  and  $Y_9$  are suppressed.